# Detective Files Suit for Libel

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A New Orleans private investigator filed a $500,000 libel suit Wednesday in Federal District Court against NBC newsman Walter Sheridan and two other defendants.

The suit was filed by Joseph A. Oster and his firm, Joseph A. Oster Inc., against Sheridan, the Saturday Evening Press and Doubleday Canada, Ltd.

The suit claims that certain portions of the book written by Sheridan in 1972 entitled "The Rise and Fall of Jimmy Hoffa" and offered for sale by the other defendants are libelous.